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MSU icon Dr. Adron Doran is dead at 92

Doran was president of MSU from 1954 to 1977. He led the school from college to university level, procured funding to construct numerous campus buildings and saw enrollment increase from 700 to 7,700 during his tenure.

BY JENNIFER SEWELL

NEWS EDITOR
Adron Doran, who was president of Morehead State University for 23 years, died Thursday afternoon at the University of Kentucky Hospital after a brief illness. He was 92.

Dr. Doran, who resided in Lexington, had been hospitalized Oct. 21 with what friends character-

ized as heart disease.

A graveside service was conducted Monday at High Park cemetery in Mayfield, Ky.

The funeral for the former speaker of the Kentucky House of Representatives and MSU's seventh president was held Sunday at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home in Lexington.

Visitations were held Saturday at Kerr Brothers and at Northcutt and Son Homes for Funerals in Morehead.

MSU President Ronald G. Eaglin said in a statement, "President Doran unquestionably has been the most dominant figure in the 114-year history of this institution and a great leader in public education. We will miss his wisdom and good humor."

Joyce LeMaster, MSU associate professor of English, said she credits her decision to become an educator to Dr. and Mrs. Mignon Doran.

"He was certainly a hallmark at this university," LeMaster said. "His influence will always be felt."

LeMaster said the Doran team made it possible for her to take a sabbatical and attend Indiana University for

post-graduate work when she first began teaching.

Recalling her first year as a student at MSU, LeMaster said it was also Dr. Doran's first year as president.

"I remember walking down the sidewalk on campus and passing him," she recalled. "He spoke to me and called me by name. I will never forget how much this impressed me."

He knew the names of all 700 students, LeMaster said.

"He was very interested in people, especially young people," she said. "He and Mrs. Doran referred to many of us as their children."

The Dorans had no children of their own.

"Maybe that had something to do with their deep caring for the students," LeMaster said. "But I am sure even if they had their own children, they would still be this way."

Carol Johnson, who was Dr. Doran's assistant from 1970 to 1977, said the president always had his door open to students.

"If a student came in and needed money, he would pull out a \$20 bill and hand it to them," Johnson said.

Johnson is currently an assistant to President Eaglin.

"Dr. Doran was different from other presidents I've worked for," she said. "And it was a different era."

MSU was a teachers' college

with 700 students when Doran became its president in 1954. The school gained university status in 1966. Enrollment had increased to nearly 7,700 when Doran retired in 1977.

Before coming to Morehead,

Dr. Doran was a state representative during the 1950 General Assembly. He was president of the Kentucky Education Association, the influential teachers' union, in 1946.

Dr. Doran began a 45-year education career in 1932, becoming a

high school teacher in western Kentucky. He was first elected to the House in 1943, representing Graves County.

A former newspaper editor, Dr. Doran was named "Kentuckian of the Year" in 1959 by the Kentucky Press Association.

Dr. Doran was a minister of the Church of Christ for 74 years.

During retirement, Doran researched, wrote and lectured on the American Restoration Movement.

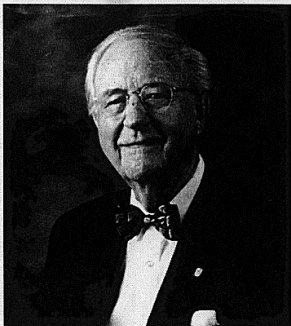
Dr. Doran was a graduate of Freed-Hardeman University, in Henderson, Tenn., Murray State University and the University of Kentucky. All three institutions honored him with outstanding alumnus awards.

Doran is survived by his wife, Mignon Louise McClain Doran, whom he married in 1931.

Other survivors are a niece, Troy Burgess of Morehead, and two nephews—George Wyatt of Union and Joe McClain of Paris.

MSU alumni and other friends considering gifts in memory of Dr. Doran have been asked by Mrs. Doran to support the Doran Endowment Fund of the Morehead State University Foundation, Inc.

Established on his 90th birthday in 1999 to recognize his lifetime of



Adron Doran

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Campus vandalized during holiday break; police investigating

STAFF REPORT

During Thanksgiving break, a classroom building on campus was reported vandalized.

The glass door on the north west side of Lappin Hall was reported broken on Nov. 21, according to police reports.

What appeared to be a bullet hole in the door was actually a crack from the force of an unknown object, MSU Police Chief Douglas Brown said.

Brown said someone threw an ashtray into the door shattered by a

canopy.

Whoever is responsible for the vandalism used enough force with the object they used to crack a hole in the glass, Brown said.

The door has been taped with duct tape and will be repaired by the Physical Plant, he said.

A Cooper Hall window was also reported broken Nov. 27, according to police reports.

"The glass window in the second floor stairwell was broken on."

Public Safety is investigating both incidents.

Administrators address faculty and student concerns at open forum

BY JENNIFER BROWN

MANAGING EDITOR

Students voiced concerns and discussed individual problems at a Nov. 14 open forum sponsored by the Student Government Association.

President Ronald G. Eaglin and other administrators were on hand to address students' questions and concerns.

Many students had questions about the scheduled renovation of the Adron Doran University Center and where the money would come from to cover the cost of the multi-million-dollar project.

Eaglin said money would not be taken from other budget areas to complete the project.

"Any capital project is determined by the capital project itself," Eaglin said.

One student was upset about the lack of resources in MSU's Camden-Carroll Library. He said he had to do a lot of research at the University of Kentucky library because MSU's library does not have updated resources.

Eaglin said, "The library is in our schedule. New capital expenditures are few and far between. There is not enough money to do every-

thing that everyone wants. I don't decide what goes into the library."

Alumni Tower resident Eithan Martin asked about the procedures in dealing with theft in the residence halls.

Mike Mincey, vice president of Student Life, said he has discussed stepping up surveillance in the residential hall areas with members of the Physical Plant, Housing

Department and Public Safety.

"There have been malfunctions

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Photos by Jennifer Sewell

Among MSU administrators fielding questions at a Nov. 14 campus forum were, from left, Michael Walters, associate vice president for Fiscal Services, Michael Mincey, vice president for Student Life, and Porter Dailey, vice president for Administration and Fiscal Services.

War and peace topic of seminar

Professors say bad self-defense kills the innocent

BY JENNIFER SEWELL

NEWS EDITOR

The Department of Geography, Government, History and Sociology on Nov. 15 sponsored a seminar in Rader dealing with peace and the war on terrorism.

Scott Davison, associate professor of philosophy, who has been protesting the war on campus in past weeks, presented his moral arguments questioning the nation's reasons for fighting the war.

Davison said he is not an expert on terrorism issues but he said he wished the ethical theories of terrorism would be addressed in the media

and elsewhere.

Davison compared one argument on the television program *NYPD Blue*.

"We see criminals pursued by law enforcement agencies on a regular basis on television and in real life," he said.

"Sometimes these criminals are murderers and it is not permissible to kill innocent citizens in the pursuit of such criminals," Davison said in a hand-drawn cartoon.

He said self-defense is not reason enough to kill.

"The means of how you defend yourself is crucial," he said.

"If you injure an innocent per-

son in the process while trying to protect yourself, the bystanders are unable to defend themselves," he said.

Davison

posed a question to about a dozen students who attended the seminar.

"We do not know who is responsible for these attacks, there-

fore, why are we allowing innocent

people to die in Afghanistan?" he asked.

One student answered by posing a question to Davison.

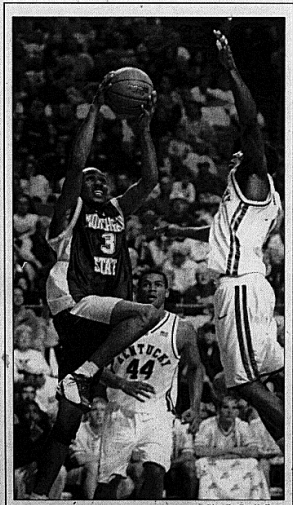
"If we don't punish these people, aren't we opening our door to other terrorists?" the history major asked.

Davison said, "We don't know if they are going to do something again so why fight them. We need more information."

"The people who did it should be punished but we should know why they did it," he said.

Eric Swank, assistant professor of social work, said there must be a

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Photos by Gay Hoffman

MSU junior guard Chez Marks goes for 2 of his 21 points scored against the University of Kentucky Wildcats in a match up Saturday in Rupp Arena. He was named OVC Player of the Week for his performance. (See game coverage of page 9)

MSU at Prestonsburg celebrates 10 years of service

PRESTONSBURG—Morehead State University at Prestonsburg will celebrate its 10th anniversary of providing full-time service to students in the Big Sandy Area with a special ceremony Tuesday, Dec. 4.

The event is scheduled to begin at 3:30 p.m. at the offices at 719 University Drive adjacent to Prestonsburg Community College. MSU President Ronald G. Englin and Dr. George D. Edwards, president of PCC, will be among the participants.

Current and former students are scheduled to speak about their college experiences.

For more than 30 years, MSU has been offering college courses in Floyd County. A full-time presence

was established when the Big Sandy Student Center opened in 1991. It was renamed MSU at Prestonsburg in 2000.

Only a small number of graduate classes were offered in the beginning at a local high school.

Today, the center offers undergraduate and graduate level courses during the day, night and weekend, as well as Internet interactive video classes.

Since 1991, enrollment at the center has grown to 12,229 students. During the last 10 years, nursing, business and education degree programs began and a Bachelor of Social Work degree was started in 2001.

Through agreements with PCC,

students may complete associate and certain baccalaureate degrees without leaving home.

Three individuals have provided leadership at the center. James W. Ratliff of PCC served as site coordinator before Dr. Roland Burns assumed the post as interim director in 1991. Dr. Margaret Lewis, the current director, was appointed in 1992.

MSU at Prestonsburg will move into a new home on the PCC Campus in the Northeast Regional Postsecondary Education Center, a \$6.6 million classroom and office building with 30,000 square feet of floor space.

FORUM, from front

with the door jams," Mincey said. "The RA's (resident advisors) should be a little more diligent on the surveillance."

Rosinold Donald said there should be more support from the administration for black organizations.

Englin said, "From a monetary point, I think we do support those organizations. The participation is where the student government needs to come alive. I'll work with you and members of the organizations. I have gone to activities sponsored by African-American groups on this campus and only three or four people were there."

Travis Stokes said, "We enlarge our ads and everything. I haven't seen one person from SGA just since I've been here and I've been here every event."

Marisa Moore, a transfer stu-

dent from St. Louis, Minn., said she sees a lack of quality interaction with the students, especially African-Americans, and the administration.

"A lot of us (African-Americans) feel like we are not a part of this campus. We are here to get a quality education and I don't feel like we are," Moore said.

Englin responded by saying interaction becomes the responsibility of all societies, fraternities, clubs and organizations.

"Segregation is a problem," Englin said. "I have sat down next to others in ADUC and if I didn't start the conversation, I would have been totally ignored. This building (ADUC) is separated from these segregated groups and going to those groups makes you comfortable. It is a problem across our whole society, not just our students."

He said there are 37 countries represented on MSU's campus.

"I think it would be wonderful for societies and fraternities to get up and not talk about their weekend and talk to other people," Englin said.

Students also expressed their feelings on other topics, including parking, residence hall maintenance and security issues.

Many students said they felt the open forums never accomplish anything.

Englin said, "I don't think we duck issues. Sometimes there are decisions that are not high on our list. Something positive will occur from this."

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PEACE, from front

cause and effect of each circumstance before a who and why can be determined.

"We have to go back to the source into history to see why this is happening," he said. "There is no clean country and Americans must know their history before a cause is identified."

John Hennen, assistant professor of history, said there has to be a reaction from Americans.

"We have to see this as an opportunity to use the war to our

advantage so we can convince the United States that this is an appropriate response and this is the only answer to the situation," Hennen said.

He said one billion dollars of American money is spent each month in Afghanistan.

"Why not put the money toward foreign aid and foreign policy," Hennen said.

These are the kind of things people never tell you on television, he said.

"Killing thousands of people and smashing a country is not the

answer but I don't know what is," Hennen said.

Davison said most Americans believe this war will end like the classic cinema flick.

He said, "We expect that the bad guys got killed and the happy ending will result, but unfortunately, that's not the way the world works."

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Correction

ROTC Cadet Kevin Kerns was incorrectly identified in a outline that appeared under a front page picture in the Nov. 14 issue. The Trail Blazer regrets the error.

Trail Blazer Online Edition Update:

The Trail Blazer would like to apologize to our readers for our online edition not being updated in several weeks. The site is under reconstruction and will be fully operational during the spring semester. Please keep checking the site for further information about the official relaunch.

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Police Report

Travis Franklin, 22, 3902 Mill Creek, Ky. 40075, was cited for disregarding a stop sign and cited for having no insurance Nov. 14 at Baird Hall.

Thomas Delonte, 24, 715 Alumni Tower, was arrested for assault in the fourth degree Nov. 15.

Megan Guinan, 18, 411 Nunn Hall, was arrested for alcohol intoxication Nov. 15 at East Mignon Hall.

DORAN, from front

work on behalf of public education at all levels, the endowment will underwrite a faculty chair in educational leadership in MSU's College of Education.

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U.S. Marines set up base in Afghanistan

BY CLAUDIA PARSONS

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U.S. forces attacked an enemy compound in Afghanistan on Monday, after establishing a forward base from which to track Osama bin Laden and crush his Taliban protectors.

Some 500 U.S. Marines, ferried in overnight by helicopter from a ship in the Arabian Sea, set up a bridgehead at a lonely airbase in southern Afghanistan, within striking distance of Kandahar, the militia's spiritual home and (final) redoubt. General James Mattis said the operation went smoothly.

The United States launched its assault on Saudi-born militant bin Laden's al Qaeda network and his Taliban protectors in response to Sept. 11 hijack attacks on New York and Washington which killed around 3,000 people.

The Marines on the ground in Afghanistan killed in Cobra attack helicopters to fire on a convoy of around 20 vehicles after it was seen heading toward their airstrip. Several heavy vehicles were destroyed but the clash did not affect the U.S. buildup, with planes and helicopters arriving at regular intervals.

Local Afghans identified the captured facility as Dolangi airstrip, about 55 miles southwest of Kandahar, rebuilt and used by bin Laden. They said the personal helicopter of Taliban leader Mullah Mohammed Omar had been parked there only a few days ago.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld defined the purpose of the Marines on the ground in Afghanistan as, "to establish a forward base of operations to help prepare the Taliban for removal from Afghanistan, to prevent Taliban and al Qaeda terrorists from moving

freely about the country."

He said most Taliban strongholds had now fallen and their leaders

people who are responsible for bombing America," Bush told reporters. "No president or com-

the \$25 million bounty on his head in the rugged hills where, the best bet is, he is still held up.

of mass destruction.

Asked what would happen if Saddam refused, the U.S. president replied: "He'll find out."

As tension rose in Afghanistan, diplomatic efforts to form a new, broad Afghan administration lifted ahead, with informal talks in Germany ahead of a U.N.-sponsored meeting on Tuesday.

Taliban resistance away from Kandahar melted and the Northern Alliance claimed it had captured Kanduz in the north. Myers confirmed the city had fallen but pockets of foreign fighters loyal to bin Laden continued to resist in the area.

Surrender talks had stalled there amid fears by thousands of foreign fighters — Arabs, Pakistanis and Chechens linked to bin Laden's al Qaeda — that they would be killed if caught.

Concern that they might not yield had grown when a firefight erupted between non-Afghan prisoners and their alliance captors in a fort outside the nearby city of Mazar-i-Sharif.

U.S. warplanes and helicopters were called in to quell the revolt on Sunday which left hundreds dead or wounded. Some 20 Afghan Taliban were still fighting on in the fort on Monday.

Heavily armed U.S. AC-130 gunships and attack jets also pummeled targets in Kandahar overnight and in the morning, but witnesses said the Taliban remained

in control of the area.

The Northern Alliance, which includes leaders the Taliban drove from power five years ago, is now the dominant Afghan force, in control of the capital Kabul and most major cities.

Their support comes from minority ethnic groups in the north — Tajiks, Uzbeks and others — but their power on the ground has been a strong hand at the talks at a hilltop hotel near the former German capital, Bonn.

Afghan elites, U.N. experts and diplomats held informal discussions there on Monday as other delegates arrived.

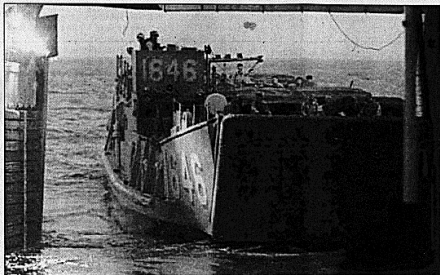
The talks, which start on Tuesday, will be dominated by the alliance and supporters of exiled former King Zahir Shah, who comes from the country's biggest ethnic group, the Pashtun — but whom the Taliban have drawn much of their support.

They will have 11 delegates each. Exiles backed by Pakistan and Iran will have five each. The Taliban have not been invited.

Barhamuddin Rabbani, alliance leader and who was Afghanistan's president until the Taliban swept him from power in 1996, played down hopes of a swift agreement.

"This meeting is not a summit-

council," he said, adding that key decisions would have to be made at talks in Afghanistan — of which his alliance is now the de facto new ruler.



Photos by Jim Hollander/CWIRE

U.S. Marines board a landing craft packed with light vehicles back out of the flooded well deck of the amphibious assault ship USS Peleliu at sundown Nov. 21 in the Arabian Sea. These Marines later were brought into Afghanistan and took command of an airstrip in the south, establishing a U.S. military force on the ground.

were on the move and had difficulty managing their remaining military assets.

"We are pursuing them across the country from north to south and east to west and intend to continue following them wherever they go," Rumsfeld said.

President Bush said the war was now entering a critical phase in which the risk of U.S. casualties had risen.

"This is a dangerous period of time. This is a period of time in which we're still hunting down the

leader in chief hopes anybody loses life in the theater, but it's going to happen."

Gen. Richard Myers, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said five U.S. servicemen were seriously wounded when a U.S. air strike hit near their position. They were evacuated to Uzbekistan. The United States is using special operations, spy planes and remote-sensing technology to hunt bin Laden, whom it blamed for the Sept. 11 attacks.

Now it has also sent in the Marines to track down the man with

Bush also gave a reminder of his "war on terrorism," declared after the September attacks, by urging Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to re-admit U.N. weapons inspectors to see if he was building weapons

Police arrest three in alleged plot against high school

BY BRIAN FOLTZ

U-Wired/C.D. BURMAN

Three students were being held on Sunday, charged with planning a deadly assault on their high school that they promised would be "bigger than Columbine," police said.

In a plan that echoed the 1999 Colorado High School massacre in Littleton, Colorado, the three planned to detonate a bomb and then gun down teachers and students as they fled the school before sundown, police said.

A letter outlining the plot was found by a school janitor, police said.

Eric McKeehan, 17, and two

juveniles who were not identified were to be arraigned on Monday, a New Bedford police sergeant who did not give his name told Reuters.

Police started investigating the plot last month after a student told the police of rumors that an assault was planned. New Bedford Police Chief Arthur Kelly was quoted as saying by The Boston Globe.

"The verbal threats brought up Columbine, that it will be bigger than Columbine," Kelly told the Globe.

Police searched the students' homes and found bomb-making devices, shotgun shells, knives and a flare gun. They also found

photographs of at least one of them with weapons, the newspaper reported.

McKeehan is being held on \$100,000 bail, and the two juveniles were being held on \$5,000 bail each, the Globe reported. They face charges of conspiracy to commit murder, conspiracy to commit assault and battery with a dangerous weapon and possession of ammunition.

On April 20, 1999, two students armed with assault weapons killed 12 students, one teacher and themselves at Columbine High School in one of the worst instances of school violence in U.S. history.

Prescription drug coverage for elderly topic of meeting

FRANKFORT — Prescription drug coverage topped the list of issues concerning senior citizens that lawmakers discussed Monday during a meeting of the General Assembly's Health and Welfare Committee.

Dr. Linda Kuder, representing the Kentucky Association for Gerontology, testified that the difficulty many seniors face in affording prescription drugs was among the top issues that surfaced in forums the association held with senior citizens throughout the state earlier this year.

"The top-ranked issues were related to health care, especially prescription drug coverage," Kuder said.

Rising medicine costs coupled with the fact that Medicare doesn't offer prescription drug coverage have put needed prescription drugs out of reach for many senior citizens. Seniors need help affording prescription drugs, Kuder said.

"There's no questioning the

need," Kuder said. "The question is how to do it."

One possible solution was presented to the committee by Sen. Dick Roeding, R-Lakeside Park, who has drafted legislation that would create an assistance program to help Kentucky seniors pay for prescription drugs. The Kentucky Senior Citizens Drug Act of 2002 would be limited to Kentucky residents age 65 or older who have a family income under \$30,000 and don't have prescription drug coverage elsewhere.

The program would help participants pay for medicine for some of the top diseases among seniors: cardiovascular disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and arthritis. The co-pay is 20 percent, or a maximum of \$50 for each prescription filled or refilled.

"This issue is important for thousands and thousands of Kentucky seniors who cannot buy even the most basic high blood pressure medicine and must decide between

paying a hearing bill or filling a

prescription," Roeding said. "Lawmakers will consider Roeding's legislation in the General Assembly's 2002 session, which begins Jan. 8."

Besides prescription drugs, another top issue raised by seniors concern the difficulties they face in accessing services they need to remain healthy and independent. Seniors too often hit roadblocks in getting the care they need due to factors such as high costs, waiting lists, and lack of transportation, Kuder said.

Dr. Abby Marlati, chair of the Senior Citizens' Advisory Commission, echoed many of Kuder's concerns. She also said the Senior Citizens' Advisory Commission supports legislation that would help prevent unwanted telemarketing calls from seniors, increase the number of long-term care ombudsmen throughout the state, and create tax credits for people who provide care to seniors.

Bomb threat closes Blue Grass Airport

BY JENNIFER BROWN

MANAGING EDITOR

Lexington's Blue Grass Airport was shut down Saturday for nearly three hours by what appeared to be a prank phone call.

Thomas Tyras, manager of marketing and public relations, said an "anonymous" person received a call just after 2 p.m. Saturday and made "an unspecified threat toward the airport." He said he could not release any other information about the call at the time.

"It was not directed at any specific airline or anything like that," Tyras said Monday. "The caller said there was an explosive somewhere around the facility."

Tyras said the airport's public safety and police went through a number of steps to evaluate the area.

Airport officials called in the Georgetown Police and their canine unit. He said airport officials were in contact with the Lexington police and fire departments and those units were on standby.

"It is standard protocol for any heavy delayed, but they ended up operating that evening," he said.

have to be more serious than others. It is better to be safe than sorry, especially around this busy holiday season.

Tyras said, luckily, the threat came on one of the airport's non-peak days. He said with the Thanksgiving weekend, Saturday is usually the slowest day for travel. "Tyras said the airport was reopened by 5 p.m. after officials found nothing related to the threat. He said the ticket lobby was closed for 15 to 20 minutes and after the area was cleared, people were allowed back into that area to start working with the airlines and rescheduling flights.

"We don't have a firm number on how many flights were canceled and/or delayed," he said. "I do know there were five departures and five arrivals scheduled between 2 and 5 p.m."

Tyras said three aircrafts did arrive at the airport, but passengers were kept out of the main terminal.

Passengers were able to pick up their luggage next to the airplane.

"All of the scheduled flights were impacted in some way," he said.

"We said travelers were anything but panicked."

"Everyone was very, very calm and patient," Tyras said. "A lot of them were anxious to get home, but it was a very subdued, relaxed atmosphere. There were probably 200 to 300 people in the ticket area. They had to put their carry on bags through the detectors a second time, but they made the work of public safety and security 100 times easier."

Tyras said passengers were not aware at the time that a bomb threat had been received. He said they were told security checks were taking place and they were asked politely to evacuate.

He said Thursday was the first one the airport has received since the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon.

"When you are a public facility, you will get suspicious calls, but this was the first one that had called for an evacuation," he said. "When you are in the news quite a bit, people are always on edge about traveling since Sept. 11. But a year

ago, they (travelers) would have been outraged if this had happened, but they just weren't doing that this time around."

Tyras said there have been a couple of things since the Sept. 11 attacks that caused airport security to evacuate localized areas. He said there have been unexploded bombs and packages, but all the incidents ended up being passengers forgetting their belongings.

The threat is under investigation by airport officials, Tyras said. The Federal Aviation Association and other agencies may be involved down the road. He said the FAA is taking a long and meticulous behavior with security seriously.

"Not only will this event be tolerated, but we won't tolerate threats by airport officials," Tyras said. "There are actions in place to track down those people if they call in a bomb threat. I think everyone should know that."

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Lawmakers discuss future of death penalty

Kentucky Sen. Gerald Neal supports a two year moratorium, during which capital punishment cases and the state's criminal justice will be reviewed.

BY MATT ALLEY

A former Texas appeals court judge who reviewed at least 400 death sentences during his tenure encouraged Kentucky lawmakers Monday to enact a moratorium on the death penalty.

Charles Baird, former judge of the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and co-chair of a national death penalty initiative through the Constitution Project, a bipartisan non-profit organization, told members of the Kentucky General Assembly's Interim Joint Committee on Judiciary that the criminal justice system is "all too human" and necessary precautions should be taken to avoid mistakes.

Baird told lawmakers they should support a proposal by State Sen. Gerald Neal, D-Louisville, to study death penalty cases and the imposition of the death penalty and enact a two-year moratorium while the study is underway.

According to transcripts of the meeting, Baird said the worst thing they could do is not conduct this study, and just rely on anecdotal

data. He added that when a legislature calls for a moratorium instead of relying on the executive branch to call for one, the legislature retains more power over the process, including how long the moratorium will last.

According to transcripts of the meeting, Neal said troubling facts about the death penalty in Kentucky have become clear, including there is one mentally retarded adult currently on the state's death row. One proposal brought before the com-

mittee in October asks that state law be changed to allow those sentenced to death in Kentucky before July 1990 to prove whether or not they have mental retardation.

Baird's Constitution Project group recommends that the mental-

ly retarded and juveniles, or persons under age 18, should not be eligible for capital punishment. Kentucky law currently allows for capital punishment of juveniles who are 16 and 17 years old.

Kentucky Public Advocate Ernie Lewis told lawmakers that recent news has exposed facts about the death penalty he calls "warning lights." One of those involved a recent moratorium on the death penalty in Illinois, where Gov. George Ryan halted the death penalty after 13 death row inmates who had been awaiting their sentence since 1987 were exonerated.

According to records of the Department for Public Advocacy, which represents all death penalty cases on appeal, there have been 82 death sentences imposed in Kentucky since capital punishment was reinstated in 1976. Of that total, 69 cases have been reviewed on appeal and 43 of those cases have been reversed at some level.

According to transcripts of the

meeting, Rep. Gross Lindsay, D-Henderson, and Sen. Robert Silvers, R-Manchester, co-chairs of the Interim Joint Committee on Judiciary, agreed that the commission should provide the committee with information on how the current guidelines were considered. Commission members testifying before the committee said they would.

The Kentucky Corrections Department lists 38 people on death row, though several have prevailed on appeal and are awaiting new trials.

This year, two Kentucky death row inmates have had sentences reversed to life in prison without parole because of mistakes in the cases where death sentences were handed down.

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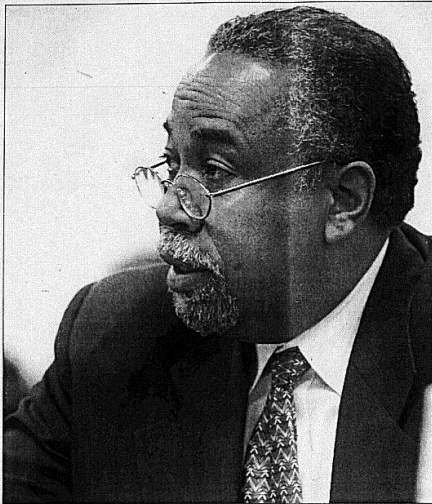


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Sen. Gerald Neal, D-Louisville, testifies Monday before members of the Interim Joint Committee on Judiciary in support of a bill he has sponsored to place a moratorium on the death penalty in Kentucky.

Measures to crack down on underage drinking presented to legislators

FRANKFORT — Members of the General Assembly's Licensing and Occupations Committee Tuesday received a briefing on issues the state's Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control would like addressed in the 2002 legislative session.

ABC Commissioner Rick Johnson told lawmakers one of the main issues he hears about concerns the fact that Kentucky law allows 20-year-olds to sell and serve open containers of alcohol, though the legal age to drink alcohol is 21. Such concerns are prompting ABC to propose raising the minimum age of people serving open containers of alcohol to 21.

Johnson said his department also wants to establish a law a clearer definition of a restaurant. The concern is that some facilities that are essentially bars may categorize themselves as restaurants, which allows minors to enter the facility.

Johnson also proposes that it have greater authority to direct restaurants to perform audits to confirm they are selling enough food to be considered restaurants, Johnson said.

During a discussion about preventing youth from obtaining alcohol, Sen. Jack Westwood, R-Erlanger, asked whether the minors set up in some hotel rooms offer a way for minors to illegally obtain alcohol.

Johnson said he's not aware that the ABC has ever received any complaints about hotel minibars.

Kentucky lawmakers are hoping with the changes to the state's drivers' licenses, underage drinking will be reduced.

The picture ID will include a bell that shows if a person is under 18 or under 21.

Until the transition of every Kentucky motorist acquiring a new driver's license occurs, usual methods of underage drinking detection will remain in effect.

The Kentucky Department of Motor Vehicle Registration hopes to have all Kentucky motorists with new licenses by Spring 2002.

Retailers, toy makers re-examine marketing after U.S. attacks

BY JESSICA ALLIDON
The Towntalk (Towson U.)

Since the events of Sept. 11, parents have been faced with the difficult task of explaining terrorism to their children. As the holiday season quickly approaches, even the toy industry has been forced to reconsider the products being designed for kids.

Many toy and department stores have evaluated their products to decide if items are still fit to sell to the public.

While most retailers have not pulled merchandise from the shelves, some have deemed certain products inappropriate.

Many Sams, head of media relations for Target Stores, said Target did not have to pull any toys from its shelves, but the company did take time to review what was on the sales floor.

"We reviewed all the toys on our shelves, including Halloween toys, and decided our products are fine," Samis said. "Target is a family oriented store and wouldn't put offensive things on the shelves anyway."

Lisa Class, manager of Kaylee Toys in Hartford Mall, said Kaylee went through a similar process, and while most of the toys remained on the shelves, the store did pull the video game "Air Force Delta" for Play Station 2.

Margie Dietz, a lab technician at Franklin Square Hospital, said, if her 9-year-old son Kevin wanted to get something that promoted violence, she would think twice before buying it for him.

"If he wanted something violent I wouldn't buy it for him because I wouldn't want to be reminding of Sept. 11," Dietz said.

In addition to evaluating toys, junior health major Jen

Bernadzikowski said that numerous movies played on broadcast and cable television have had questionable content removed.

Companies such as Fisher Price have come out with new toys that represent heroes from Sept. 11. Fisher Price created a toy called "Rescue Workers" featuring firefighters and police officers.

Susan Neumeister, a kindergarten teacher at Essex Elementary School, said she thinks the concept is a great one for kids.

"I think it's interesting that they have come out with this toy now, and that real firefighters and police officers promoted it," she said.

Another concern for those in the retail industry has been the economy. Malls and toy stores are slow in sales at the moment, but managers expect business to pick up as the holiday season gets closer.

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Abolitionist leader pleased with progress of judiciary committee

BY MATT ALLEY
EDITOR

Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty leader the Rev. Patrick Delahanty said he sees the General Assembly's interim session as a step in the right direction for abolishing the death penalty in the state.

"Although discussing the death penalty and abolishing it are two separate things, still we are making progress," he said.

Delahanty said he was confident the legislature would reverse the death penalty for the mentally retarded and juveniles. The Louisville Catholic priest also said a moratorium could be imposed.

"It is morally wrong to hold juveniles and the mentally retarded accountable for their actions by punishment of death. Reversing decisions in these cases could return humanity to the justice system in Kentucky," he said.

Total abolishment of the death penalty is what Delahanty and his group seeks, but he said a moratorium would be the cause.

"Although we are wanting complete abolishment, a moratorium would be a means of enabling law-

makers and those who advocate capital punishment to rethink their views," he said.

Delahanty, a Catholic priest, founded KCADP in 1985 and the group has grown to over 700 members.

"Because of our numbers and financial supporters we are finally being heard," Delahanty said.

During the last two regular sessions of the General Assembly, review hearings were held to look into the death penalty issue.

"Finally, lawmakers are listening to us and others who oppose the death penalty in Kentucky," he said.

Delahanty said he is optimistic about on whether or not the committee's findings will help the abolition movement.

"All we can do is wait and see," he said.

Delahanty's group, KCADP, assisted four bills the General Assembly will review in during the 2002 regular session.

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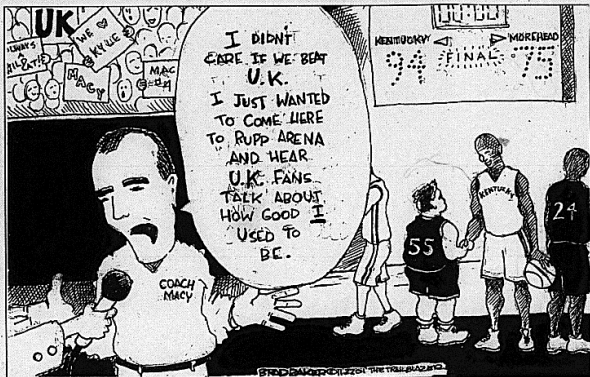
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Commentary

Students not aware of legacy

BY JENNIFER SEWELL
NEWS EDITOR

As I stood behind my grandmother in line to see Mrs. Mignon Doran last Saturday, I gazed around in amazement at the funeral home room full of grieving friends and family of Dr. Adron Doran.

I looked past the baskets of flowers and saw generations of people gathering in corners and in the center of the small room. They were all consoling one another in their own way.

Some were smiling and laughing, about some story from the past, perhaps.

And some chose to be alone while visiting Dr. Doran.

Some of the men donned bow ties honoring Dr. Doran's classic fashion accessory.

People traveling from everywhere to pay their respects.

Some I recognized from campus, but most of them were complete strangers to this MSU student.

Then, suddenly, I realized I was the stranger in the room. I will be 22 years old next week and I was the youngest away during Thanksgiving break. This is why no students attended the visitation. Then another thought occurred to me.

Most students probably aren't here because they do not know who the Dorans were or what they accomplished at MSU. They do not realize Dr. Doran was more than just a name on the front of the syllabus center.

Most students did not grow up as I did hearing classic stories about the Dorans.

If I were not for the efforts and strides he took while president, he might be attending a state college instead of a regional university.

Students don't know that most of the residence halls they're living in were built during his 23-year reign as president of this institution.

I thought to myself while still in line, why couldn't more students have known him as these people did?

He was such an admired and respected figure, not only in Morehead, but also across the state of Kentucky.

My attention was suddenly diverted to Mrs. Doran's lime green suit as my grandmother reached to hug her.

It was the first time I have ever seen her without a hat.

Nevertheless, she was still herself—poised and loving.

It was my turn to hug the former first lady. I was reassured as I embraced her.

I was proud to be there. I was proud to be a part of the MSU family at that moment.

And we, as students, should be proud to be a part of the incredible legacy, fostered by Adron Doran.

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Notable Quotes

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude. Don't complain."

—Maya Angelou

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Harry Potter's magical curse of imagination

BY GARY TACKETT
OPINION EDITOR

I guess it is time to reincarnate David Koresh and summon devils of all kinds. The occult has a new posterchild and evil befalls all those who dare speak the name — Harry Potter.

Reluctantly, I admit that I joined the hordes of "evil" 8-year-olds who have supposedly been entranced by Mr. Potter and his demonic hex, which at one time was called imagination.

The controversy that follows the popular children's book series is no doubt, well deserved.

As I walked in and saw the Satanic brood pouring out of the previous movie showing as if they had just won the Super Bowl, I noticed a terrifying phenomenon. I saw no horns and no one was whizzing by on a Nimbus 2000.

I did, however, see children excited. They had books and were comparing what they had just read previously. Besides a few parents and some

curious onlookers (bored MSU students), I was the oldest person in the theatre. I was also the most ignorant person there.

Even after countless hours spent in writing and literature classes, there is no way I could give an analysis that equaled theirs. Kids were quoting passages and critically comparing the screen adaptation to the literary works.

I just don't see this literary art work can be seen as a devilish conspiracy to brainwash children. It is just another fantastical story that managed to grab the attention of a Ritalin-dependent youth.

But the curse is still evident. It must have taken some sort of magical spell or an act of Hogwarts' wizardry to get that many children to read just for their own pleasure.

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EDITORIALS

Living in fear could be our most dangerous foe

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, President George Bush and other U.S. government leaders have advised citizens to go on with daily life and return to their normal routines.

This is solid advice that could help keep the economy strong, as well as send a message to terrorists.

But most people don't seem eager just yet to return to normal activity.

According to predictions from national travel experts, fear of flying was a primary reason more travelers than usual took to roadways and interstate highways instead of flying to reach destinations during the Thanksgiving holiday.

This could be the worst thing people could do.

Not only does this contradict the message the country is trying to send to the Taliban, but as far as fatal car accidents go, the Thanksgiving holiday is the most deadly of any calendar date, with a steadily increasing death toll that topped out at 16 fatalities in Kentucky alone in 2000.

Airports across the country reported a decline in passengers last week, which meant there were more vehicles on highways across the nation.

Although the statistics for this holiday have not yet been released, the increase in motorists probably led to an increase in traffic accidents and fatalities.

People are letting fear run their lives, and by doing so they could possibly be putting themselves in more danger than if they followed the president's advice.

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CAMPUS COMMENT

What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of Adron Doran?



Kathy Mincey
Associate Professor
of English

"Dr. Doran was a passionately committed and nurturing father, who understood the essence of his profession as educator."



Yvonne Baldwin
Associate Professor
of History

"He was a strong leader, who was able to work with students."



Scott Devlan
Associate Professor
of Philosophy

"I think he is the person most responsible for making MSU into a real university."



Betty Jo Peters
Associate Professor
of English

"How gracious he was to me. He knew all of his students — he knew me."

CAMPUS LIFE

Gateway Center combats abuse

BY LEANNE ROBERSON
STAFF WRITER

The grand opening of the Gateway Children's Advocacy Center on Main Street took place Oct. 31.

First Lady of Kentucky, Judi Patton, and the First Lady of Morehead State University, Bonnie Englin, attended the center's event.

There are now 13 Gateway Children's Advocacy Centers in Kentucky.

One center has not been opened. Eventually 15 will be located across the state.

The centers provide physical

exams, counseling and help with child abuse investigations.

Heather Shelton, executive director of the center, said the center began receiving cases in August and has now helped approximately 10 to 15 children and families spanning the five county service region of Bath, Montgomery, Morgan, Mendenhall and Boone counties.

While the center cannot conduct investigations into child abuse, it does help with the investigative process.

Physical examinations and interviews take place at the center.

Dr. Mary Jane Humkey, of St. Claire Hospital, works with the center and does the exams. Therapists from Pathways also work with the center.

Shelton said a built in camera system is used to tape interviews with children who have been abused.

By using the tapes and observation areas to witness the interviews, the children feel more comfortable and the number of interviews with each child is reduced, Shelton said. Renovations to the building began in June 2000. Volunteers completed almost all renovations.

Shelton said the Morehead community contributed to the renovations as well as MSU faculty and students.

Shelton said Bonnie Englin serves as the president of the Board of Directors and has been very instrumental in the starting and the continuing of the center.

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Judi Patton, wife of Kentucky Governor Paul Patton, spoke at the opening ceremony Oct. 31 for the Gateway Children's Advocacy Center. Among other speakers at the ceremony was Bonnie Englin, wife of MSU President Ronald Englin.

Employers seek higher qualifications

Failing economy causes job shortages and increased competition in the job market

By Rene Lindner

LANDING (The Clear Job Lake) Landing the perfect job takes more than an expensive suit, an attractive resume and arriving early for an interview.

After the first impression, skills and qualities of the candidate are what makes hiring decisions.

At the University of Houston-Clear Lake students prepare to graduate and venture into the job market. It is imperative to know what employers are looking for in order to gain a competitive edge over other candidates.

"Employers are looking for candidates with leadership skills, individuals who are assertive, and people who know what they want and what the company has to offer," said Tasha Taylor, coordinator of recruiting with UH-Clear Lake's Career and Counseling Services.

Taylor also stated that grade point average is very important to many of the companies that recruit on campus. For example, Duke Energy requires a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Accounting firms such as Anderson and Deloitte and Touche want candidates with a GPA above 3.25.

"Our Career and Counseling Services database matches students to employers," Taylor said. "Some companies have a standard, and our database will outline the GPA criteria of the employer and make the

match."

Particularly in an uncertain economy, the National Association of Colleges and Employers recommends that students take an inventory of their strengths and study the job market demands for graduates with similar education and experience.

NACE recently named the top 10 personal qualities employers seek in job candidates. They are: communication skills, honesty and integrity, teamwork skills, interpersonal skills, motivation and initiative, a strong work ethic, analytical skills, flexibility and adaptability, computer skills and self-confidence.

Although employer expectations are straightforward, some qualifications are not learned in a classroom.

"Enthusiasm and a good work ethic should be innate; these traits cannot be instilled," Taylor said.

Drew Walker, human resources consultant with the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, agrees.

"When interviewing candidates for a job, I look at their leadership skills and interpersonal skills, not to mention their personalities," Walker said.

When considering the skills of an applicant, Walker said computer skills, past experience, and analytical and problem-solving skills were the most important.

"We also read body language

and ask various behavioral questions to get a feel for a person's analytical and problem-solving skills," Walker said.

Applicants entering the teaching profession at the Galveston Independent School District also are screened with an instrument similar to the behavioral questions asked in UTMH interviews. GISD uses the Haberman Foundation's Selecting Star Teachers screening instrument to assess teacher candidates.

"This instrument identifies candidates who will work well with at-risk students," said John DePinge, human resources specialist with the Galveston Independent School District.

DePinge also confirmed that the district looks for applicants with leadership skills, especially those considered team players.

"You can identify team players by looking at the activities they participated in outside of college and work," DePinge said.

For new graduates with no past work experience, an internship is advantageous.

"An internship shows that you have some sort of real-world experience," Walker said. "It is to your advantage to participate in an internship while in college."

For students entering the field of education, a student-teaching internship is a requirement.

"We will actually call the school where the applicant has done his or her student teaching," DePinge said.

"We interview the candidate's principal and mentor teacher to get an idea of his or her work ethic, leadership skills and community

involvement."

When graduates have no real-world experience to offer but appear qualified, Walker relies on the references supplied with the resume to learn about the candidate's history.

"I will call references or sometimes professors to check on the candidate's leadership skills and to get an idea of their role or involvement with campus organizations," Walker said.

Students can gain leadership skills at school by joining various student organizations.

"These organizations help students interact with others, share viewpoints and make decisions," Taylor said. Another edge employers look for when interviewing applicants is whether the person has done research about the company and the job.

"If someone has done their homework, that is a plus," Walker said.

Distinguished Teacher Award 2001-2002

The Professional Development Committee is requesting nominations for the annual Distinguished Teacher Award. Nominations must include the name, address and telephone number of the nominator as well as a letter of support for the nominee addressing briefly the person's qualifications in reference to specific criteria.

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Charity donations slow after initial Sept. attack relief rush

BY ABIGAIL MALIK
STAFF WRITER

The initial drop in charitable donations a few days following Sept. 11 have picked back up, but some charities are still struggling.

Says Ken Shain, Media Specialist for Goodwill Industries of Kentucky.

"We saw a strong October and November. Sales have been good," Shain says.

This is compared to an overall nationwide decline in Goodwill sales and donations two weeks immediately following Sept. 11.

Christine Nyirjeja Bragale, Director of Media Relations for Goodwill Industries International, says since the initial drop, sales are back on track.

"Our store sales from October [2001] are up compared to October 2000," Bragale says.

However, the drop in the economic climate since Sept. 11 has left many businesses, including such non-profit organizations like Goodwill, holding the short end of the rope.

"We know that overall, people are shopping less, which means they will have less need to clean out their closets and give the items they

no longer need to Goodwill," Bragale says.

Nationally, sales represent about fifty-two percent of Goodwill's total operating revenue.

Bragale says "Store sales are a

critical source of funding for our employment services and other programs."

In addition to fewer sales, Goodwill has experienced a decline in monetary donations.

"The community has reallocated its money to go to charities that are helping directly with relief efforts instead of giving to other non-profits," Shain says.

"Dollars are tight and there are many organizations competing for the same money, Shain says.

"Since the influx of monetary donations designated for the victims of the terrorist attacks, the public has questioned the methods taken by charities.

Many people think the donor

should have a larger amount of say over what the charity does.

The Red Cross in particular has come under such scrutiny in the last few weeks.

In a CNN interview with editor of *Chronicle of Philanthropy*, Stacy Palmer, the question was raised of how the public's speculation as to how charities deal with donations will affect future organizations.

"I think that all charities are going to have to work hard to make clear what donations are going to, and that they're going to face a lot of questions and some people will choose not to give to any cause at all," Palmer says.

For those interested in donating to Goodwill Industries, there is a location in Mt. Sterling. The Salvation Army has thrift stores in both Lexington and Ashland. Red Cross has a Rowan County chapter in Morehead.

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Based on survey data collected by the Student Wellness Office (1993-1998, 1999, 2000) from 2160 MSU students in random assessment.

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Study shows Ecstasy use increasing in students

BY JOANNA HAMMER

The *BSU News* (Bowling Green State U.)
The popularity of the synthetic, psychoactive drug Ecstasy continues to grow, despite the growing risks of the drug to primary brain functions.

According to a report by The Ohio Substance Abuse Monitoring Network, in June 2000, when the drug first appeared at dance clubs, it was popular among white, suburban youngsters.

A report completed this year by The Ohio Department of Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services said that Ecstasy use has increased dramatically, leading to considerable health concerns.

Teenagers and young adults are the main users of Ecstasy. The National Institute on Drug Abuse study shows a dramatic increase in Ecstasy use among 18 to 26 year olds in the past four years. For this group, Ecstasy use increased four-fold, from an average of 2.4 percent in 1996 to 8.2 percent in 2000.

Ecstasy users experience a loss of inhibition, a feeling of excitement, euphoria, and a sudden rush of energy. Ecstasy encourages people to feel closer, more open and sympathetic towards the people they are with, according to Ecstasy.org.

This is why Ecstasy is commonly referred to as the "Love Drug" or

"Love's Speed."

The problem is that once Ecstasy is taken, it can cause serious side effects. Lucille Fleming, director of ODADAS, said, "An Ecstasy pill looks small and harmless. It may have cartoon characters or butterflies or doves on it, but it is a highly dangerous drug. You don't know what you're getting, and you don't know how you will react to it. A lethal dose looks exactly the same as any said, but it can induce extremely high body temperatures,

convulsions and brain damages or death."

Ecstasy is neurotoxic and can cause permanent damage to the brain after the first dose, especially the brain's critical thought and memory sections. High doses can lead to kidney failure, cardiovascular system failure, heart attacks, strokes and seizures.

The drug's effects usually start an hour after taking the drug. First time users often experience confusion or anxiety.

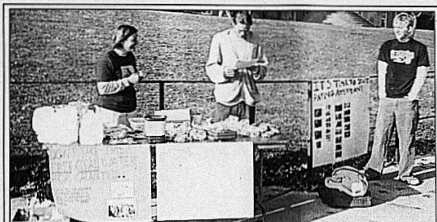
The effects normally last three to six hours. However, confusion, depression, sleeping problems, anxiety and paranoia can occur weeks after the drug is taken.

According to data obtained by the National Drug Abuse Warning Network, the number of emergency visits resulting from an Ecstasy overdose has increased dramatically since the mid-90s. In 1994 there were 250 Ecstasy-related emergency visits compared to 3,000 reported in 1999.

Users do not normally fear negative effects when using the drug. Natalie Mason, a sophomore at Bowling Green State University said, "The first time I did Ecstasy was at a movie called *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. I was 16 at the time and it was amazing. I felt tired the next morning, but no major side effects. All together, I've done Ecstasy seven times. With each time I've felt a little more depressed and worn out."

Most continuous users experience feelings of depression. Clinical studies have proven that Ecstasy use has a dramatic effect on the amount of serotonin that the body can produce.

Serotonin enables the body to feel hungry, tired, and emotionally stable. When a person's serotonin level drops they also experience depression, sexual side effects and sensitivity to pain.



Sarah Strickland, John Ottersbach and Roger Hurlburt volunteer at a bake sale Nov. 15 to raise money for the Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan in front of Allie Young.

Photo by Amber Hale

Reaffirmation of faith grows after attacks

BY LEANNE ROBERSON
STAFF WRITER

As the World Trade Center fell, prayers went up all across the nation. "God Bless America," and "Pray for America," were placed on car windows and in homes.

Kathy Ritchie, who attends the Baptist Student Union (BSU), said the tragedy of the Sept. 11 attacks on America brought a large crowd to the center that particular Tuesday night.

Ritchie and Stacy Taylor, another BSU member, said their building was filled with 300 to 350 people. Approximately 20 people were forced to watch the service from a closed circuit television downstairs.

Gene Parr, campus minister, said Tuesday nights usually draw a full house, with more than 200 people for Tuesday Night Live (TNL), a BSU social and worship event.

Since the attacks occurred on a Tuesday, Parr said it is hard to determine if the tragedy had a major impact on the number of students attending TNL.

Parr said the attacks had an impact on members of the BSU. He said for those students who were already spiritual, the things considered important in life were reaffirmed after the tragedy. BSU members are participating

in Operation Christmas Child.

During the project, more than 100 boxes will be shipped to children overseas.

Parr said the giving campaign will be a way for Americans to share and give.

Phil Hogg, campus minister for the Methodist Student Center, said the center did not see a major change in the number of students attending events.

Hogg said many at the center do recognize what happened, but want to get back to normal life.

Hogg also said the Methodist Church in Morehead was packed the first week after the attacks.

John Neliger, who attends Jesus Our Savior Catholic Church in Morehead, said a dramatic increase in the number of people attending services has taken place at his church after the attacks.

Ritchie, Taylor and Hogg agree since the tragedy, students and faculty on campus are now more open when talking about God, Jesus, spirituality and prayer inside the classroom and elsewhere.

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Students exposed with germs every day

By Dan Baynes

Kennedy Kermal (U. Kentucky)

Germs, the generic term that covers a range of bacteria and parasites, can be found in every corner of the world.

In fact, your body is covered with organisms right now.

"If you could see your body under a microscope, you'd be astonished," said Dr. H. Spencer, Turner, director of the University of Kentucky Health Services.

"They live under your eyes and under your fingernails. It can be disgusting."

Germs are everywhere. They can cause the common cold or flu, or any infectious disease such as bacterial meningitis.

How people live in their environments determine the effect bacteria has on their health, Turner said.

Students can do several things to protect themselves from dangerous bacteria.

While on campus with classmates, one of the easiest ways for germs to travel is through coughing and sneezing, even shaking someone's hand can spread germs.

It is important for people to cover their mouths when coughing. People should also not be around

others if they are contagious, Turner said.

Perhaps the easiest, but also the most important, way for people to reduce the likelihood of becoming ill is to remember to wash their hands.

"I always wash my hands, so germs don't scare me," said Kristin Eichenborn, a math education sophomore.

Turner washes his hands at least 10 times a day, and suggests students do the same.

"Particularly in winter, the hands can be the transmitter of dangerous bacteria," he said.

"Always wash your hands, and not just before you eat dinner."

It is important to stay clear of environments conducive to spreading germs, especially when viruses are infecting many. And Turner said, when bars and clubs are packed with sick students, infection can spread rapidly.

Sharing utensils and drinking from the same cup can be harmful.

"Drinking at a bar with 250 of your best friends in the dead of winter is probably not the best idea," he said.

Instead of worrying about ways of contracting infections, students should be mindful of what they

should do if they think they are becoming ill.

"I always follow my daily routine," said Vince Peagler III, a business and management sophomore. "I think it helps stop me from getting sick."

Turner said one way to prevent illnesses is to keep immunizations and virus current.

White young children are required to test for tuberculosis, college students sometimes forget their doctor's recommendation.

Also, adequate sleep and regular

helps boost the body's immune system in fighting infection.

Shots for contagious diseases such as influenza can go a long way in improving health.

While the precautions for the elderly might be the highest priority in Washington, D.C., and New York City, it is more important for students to focus on simple habits to keep healthy, Turner said.

By taking rudimentary precautions you can avoid contracting illness.

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Campus Events

Christmas Tree Lighting

Ring in the holidays with MSU's annual tree lighting activities Thursday, Nov. 29 at 4:30 p.m. Student organization tables will be set up at ADUC for children to create crafts. Santa Claus will also be available during this time. President Romack and guests will light the campus tree at 6 p.m. on Field Lane. The Office of Physical Plant will illuminate decorations throughout campus. For additional information, call (606) 783-2071.

University Bookstore Holiday Open House

The third annual holiday open house will be Friday, Nov. 30 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Customers will receive free refreshments and a 25 percent discount on all items excluding textbooks.

Appalachian Arts and Crafts Market and Antique Show

The 16th annual Appalachian Arts and Crafts Market and Antique Show will be held Dec. 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Laughlin Health Building. The show will feature more than 100 exhibitors. The admission is \$2.

"Americana Crossroads Live"

A concert will be held Nov. 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Duncan Recital Hall of the Baird Music Building. Admission is free with a non-perishable food item to be donated to the needy.

You're a Good Man Charlie Brown

The MSU Theatre will present *You're a Good Man Charlie Brown* Dec. 6-8 on Burton Auditorium Stage. Tickets are \$3. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Holiday Carols

The MSU Chorus will perform a Holiday Carols Concert Dec. 3 in the Duncan Recital Hall of the Baird Music Building. The free concert will begin at 8 p.m. and is open to the public.

Coffee House

The Department of English, foreign languages and philosophy coffee house will be held Dec. 4 in the ADUC Grill beginning at 3 p.m.

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Special A&E Feature Analysis

Punk: Nearly 30 years of on-the-edge music

BY SARAH CLARK
CULTURES LIFESTYLE

Often misunderstood and highly checked, punk music's history is thick with personalities and stories that formed a musical revolution. One is still going strong today.

The sound of punk music has evolved into many different forms over the past few decades since its origination. Punk music carries many different forms and ideas making genre encompass many forms of the music.



Lou Reed

Punk music was first born and popularized in the late 1960s through the Velvet Underground in New York City. The Velvet Underground quickly achieved cult status with many fans and other bands following in their footsteps. Their music gained the critic acclaim of the many later punk bands from England such as the Sex Pistols.

This early form of punk took its sense of rebellion from rock and gave it a more individual feel. Punk carried this rock feeling of innocence and rebellion into the 1970s but did not stop or overtake the Billboard Chart topping pop music.

"Here it is 1973 and everything is very fast moving and I try to understand how people feel about it, how they relate to the environment. That's what my songs are about."

about." The New York Dolls front-man David Johansen said in a press release from their record label Mercury, which was later published in Jon Savage's book, *England's Dreaming: Anarchy, Sex Pistols, and Beyond*.

One of the most popular and successful punk bands to emerge from the influence of the Velvet Underground in NYC was the Ramones.

According to an interview conducted with the Ramones, that aired as part of the PBS History of Rock and Roll special, the Ramones acted the part of violent drug addicts, while other bands formed their own individual roles and identities. The Ramones took the simple three-chord melodies of '50s rock and transformed it into hardcore punk music. They performed songs, which were about two minutes in length, just long enough to get their point across in the loudest, heaviest way possible.

The New York punk scene did not get as much Billboard recognition as the British punk band such as the Sex Pistols and the Clash. Both bands were formed from the anger of the unemployed youths of England. These bands expressed their bitterness, anger and frustration.



The Ramones are credited for bringing mainstream audiences their first taste of punk music in the '70s and '80s.

tion through their music, which became some of the greatest punk music known to man. These bands are also credited to the beginning



Green Day is credited as reigniting the punk music flame in the early '90s with their chart-topping release *Dookie*.

and popularization of punk music.

In the late 1970s, punk music was heavily influenced by Rastafarianism. Punk music borrowed gate backbeats and the politically-charged lyrics of Bob Marley. David Byrne, former lead-singer of the Talking Heads, said Marley was as much punk as Johnny Rotten of

the Sex Pistols.

Music historians labeled 1993 as the year "punk broke." Although Nirvana, Soundgarden, Alice in

D.C. punk bands began using a more sung version of punk music, which also incorporated more emotional lyrics.

Ian MacKaye, former front man of Minor Threat, sang for the band Embrace, Embrace worked with emotional and self-questioning lyrics while using mid-tempo pop influenced music.

This became the norm for emo-punk.

New, emo is becoming a strong force in the realm of radio and music television. Bands such as New Found Glory, Sun 41, Green Day and Blink 182 are examples of the emotion driven bands that have found their way onto the music television broadcasts.

There are, however, emo-punk bands that choose to remain underground and stick to the cult followings of the early New York punk scene such as MxPx, the Supercuts, Saves the Day, Fenix TX, the Get Up Kids and Jimmy Eat World.

The different forms of punk give the genre a huge surface to cover, be it underground, hardcore or emo-punk, many bands are making the pop circuit, while others prefer to stay underground.

There is no real explanation to why a band chooses the underground route or the pop route, and this is seen in the Brothers Armstrong. These brothers are both from punk bands, but each follow different paths. Tim Armstrong was the front man for Operation Ivy, and later became lead vocalist for Rancid, both bands being hardcore underground punk bands. Billie Joe Armstrong is the front man for the top of Green Day, which is seen as a more pop based emo-punk band.

Although there are many differences in the forms of punk music, it is all still punk. Many prefer to stick to the underground

bands, but some people are introduced to punk music by the few bands that fall into the pop-punk area, drawing new listeners to this truly unique form of music.

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Theatre Review

Awake and Sing mixes excellent acting with convincing props

BY ABIGAIL MALIK
STAFF WRITER

Two weeks ago, Kibbey Theatre was transformed into a small, cozy apartment in 1935 Brooklyn. The audience was engrossed in believable accents, excellent stage settings and a compelling storyline.

The talented members of MSU Theatre presented Clifford Odets' *Awake and Sing* to sold out audiences five consecutive days.

The drama takes place during the Depression and intertwines the lives of nine people through their hopes and dreams for the future.

The play represents, as Odets said, "A fundamental activity; a struggle for life amidst petty conditions." It is a world where a game of cards, a glass of tea and a joke are the best of what the day might bring.

It is a world where anger outlines all emotions, even — and most especially — love.

Theatre major, Steve Kazee, made his MSU Theatre directing debut with this drama.

Kazee is a regular MSU Theatre participant, with past roles in *The Matchmaker* and *The Secret Garden*.

The commendable acting was accompanied by an excellent use of costumes, props and effects.

Minute details such as a simple bowl of nuts on the coffee table, an old iron magazine rack provided additional methods of compelling the audience into the setting and into the characters' lives.

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Film Review

Potter film adaptation lacking book's magic

By Mary Williams
Daily Brum (J-Wire)

It was the daunting task of screenwriter Steven Kloves (Honeydew) and director Chris Columbus (*Bicentennial Man*) to translate the beloved book "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" to the screen. Sadly, nothing can quite compare to the original, although this movie makes a valiant effort.

Admirers of J.K. Rowling's enormously successful series will be disappointed by the director's version, which, while it was well-cast and translated the plot of the book faithfully, falls short of the humor and, to use an overused word, magic of

the book.

Kloves and Columbus must have felt the pressure to produce a work that satisfied the millions of Harry Potter readers. Their efforts show in the script, which thankfully recreated much of the plot directly. The casting reflected the descriptions in the book, so that the characters looked much like readers imagined them. Hogwarts, with its moving staircases and ever-changing paintings is also a good recreation of the book's images.

Alan Rickman as Professor Severus Snape is particularly well cast. His low, menacing voice and dark expressions are perfect for the

role, although it doesn't hurt that the man is a talented actor as well.

A great deal of money must have been spent on special effects and with impressive results. The vividly described settings of Diagon Alley and Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry were brought to life in the film version with the crooked buildings and dark passageways intact.

Basically, the creators of the film version did everything right. So why is it that the movie didn't live up to the book?

First of all, the book was more than just the plot. The detailed and multi-layered characters and the humor infused by Rowling didn't make it to the film version.

Characters like Snape, complex in the book, were more one-dimensional in the movie. Also, the

eccentricities of each of the classes, the shops in Diagon Alley and the rest of the faculty were less pronounced in the film.

Unfortunately, faithfulness to the story replaced the little details that attracted so many readers, adults and children alike, to the original. The film felt like a Cliff's Notes version of the book, showing exactly what happens but not imbuing the viewer with a real sense of the atmosphere.

Of course, had Kloves altered the story to allow more time for dialogue and detail, avid readers would have undoubtedly objected. It was a no-win situation.

So much about this film was technically right, but the overall feel was unsatisfactory. Most likely, though, no film version would have been both true to the book in plot

and warmth, and this is probably as close as any could come. It's too bad that in this case, it's not quite enough.

Did you know?

"Harry Potter" scored \$93 million at the box office in its opening weekend while "Titanic" and "Star Wars" combined made \$120 million in their releases.

The Trail Blazer's "Best of the New"

Rob Zombie: Sinister Urge



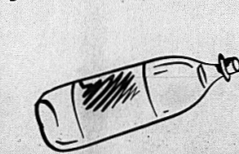
Rob Zombie's newest release, *Sinister Urge*, mixes thrashing guitars, industrial atmospherics, thunderous beats, over-the-top vocals and B-grade horror-movie-inspired lyrics to produce perhaps this year's best hard-rock/metal album.

Sinister Urge surpasses 1998's *Hellbilly Deluxe* by leaps and

bounds, adding a darker edge to the music. The industry's November pop scene album releases.

Three years in the making, *Urge* is sure to causing domestic disturbance calls to every suburban-police departments when cranked up at parties.

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Second half run by UK wears down Eagles

BY GREG DAWKINS
SPORTS EDITOR

In front of 19,774 screaming and predominantly blue fans at Rupp Arena Saturday, and a television audience to go with, Morehead State's Eagles put up a typical underdog fight but the flames were doused out as the Wildcats went on an insurmountable run that gave UK the victory.

The stage set, the MSU squad came out fired up and went toe-to-toe with the bigger UK basketball program. Passages of plays would



Photo by Guy Hoffman

Junior guard Marquis Sykes drives to the hole against Kentucky Saturday night in Rupp Arena.

Kentucky 94, Morehead 75

November 22, 1991

MOREHEAD STATE									
NAME	pts	reb	ast	stl	blk	pts	reb	ast	stl
Lower	20	2	0	0	0	4	2	0	0
Umbarger	10	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Stall	12	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Low	17	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Stall	12	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Maka	22	21	4	0	0	2	0	0	0
Harkins	6	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kearney	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kelly	8	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Allen	9	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Burns	14	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Total	108	26	4	0	0	11	12	0	0

KENTUCKY									
NAME	pts	reb	ast	stl	blk	pts	reb	ast	stl
Prince	27	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Kelly	14	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Stall	12	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Low	17	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
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Field goals shooting: MSU 7/14, UK 17/31.
Free-throw shooting: MSU 7/14, UK 17/31.
Three-point shooting: MSU 1/10, UK 1/10.
Rebounds: MSU 26, UK 12.
Assists: MSU 4, UK 0.
Steals: MSU 0, UK 0.
Blocks: MSU 0, UK 0.
Turnovers: MSU 10, UK 14.
Fouls: MSU 17, UK 14.
Time: MSU 30:00, UK 30:00.
Referee: Mike Smith.
Scorekeeper: Mike Smith.
Box score: MSU 75, UK 94.
Game notes: MSU led 45-43 at half. UK took lead 58-56 at 3:00. MSU tied 60-60 at 4:00. UK led 68-60 at 5:00. MSU tied 70-70 at 6:00. UK led 75-70 at 7:00. MSU tied 75-75 at 8:00. UK won 94-75 at 9:00.

Reported by Greg Dawkins, November 22, 1991.

see the Eagles make a play, to only see the Wildcats hit back at the other end.

A drive by MSU's Ricky Minard on Tayshawn Prince resulted in Marvin Stone stepping in to make a foul. The UK response was an alley-oop from Keith Bogans to Marquis Sykes. Minard was late on a drive from the left corner and went with a dunk, just after Chez Marks had nailed a three-pointer over Prince on the previous play. But the Cats would continue to hit back, with a three-pointer and dunk by Bogans on ensuing plays.

The Wildcats held off the Eagles' early surge for a 94-75 win, shooting better from the field with a 50.7 percentage (36-of-71) compared to the Eagles 38.8 percent (26-of-67). UK also dominated the boards 48-30, with 19 of them coming from the offensive end.

"When you shoot 38 percent and give up 19 offensive rebounds, you probably don't have a real good chance to win," Macy said. "I was most disappointed in that we got away from the game plan. We were given a lot of impudence on the offensive end. We forced some shots off first passes and didn't show the patience and execution we needed. By playing a quick tempo on the offensive end we allowed them more possessions where they could overpower us on the boards."

A tightly contested game in the first half slipped away as UK went on a 13-4 run from the 4:19 mark to the end of the half with a 47-40 Wildcat advantage. Before the run, the Eagles were in a tussle for the lead of the game that would change nine times and be tied six times.

"The start of the game was fun, we were bouncing around and having fun," Marquis Sykes said. "They made a lot of defensive stops and took us out of the game. We were tight, and mentally we were in it, I think physically they just wore us down."

An Eagle scoring slump in the opening of the second half blew out the UK lead to as much as 25 points (73-48 at the 10:29 mark). The damage was done within the first eight minutes when Kentucky went on a 19-4 run. Morehead shot 2-of-11 during that time and UK made 10 points from layups and put-backs.

It was a trend that sealed the deal for the Wildcats, where they made 23-of-36 shots from layups, hooks and put-backs. The Eagles were only able to make 9-of-26 shots from close range in the game.

"They were ready for the second half and we weren't," Ike Lopez said. "We relaxed in the half time and thought half the work was done. It wasn't like we would just show up - it's Kentucky, you can't play like that against a team like this."

"It was a good experience and

we can learn a lot," Lopez said. "We have a lot of work to do and many things to improve. An important thing is to play with pride and not let us get beat that way. You have to push yourself, keep your head up and keep going."

Macy said, "We want to respect all of our opponents, but we're in awe of them. I thought for the most part we did a pretty good job of that."

Minard led the Eagles with 23 points and eight rebounds.

"I was so happy at the time and never settled down to the point where I could function out there and help us as a team," Minard said. Minard shot 40 percent from the three-point line.

"I need to get in the gym and shoot a couple before I start doing that, because that wasn't a good performance," Minard said. "I don't think that will be what I'll be looking to be doing until I get it under control. I'd rather attack the glass."

Marks hit 7-of-11 attempts, including 4-of-5 from the perimeter and 2-of-2 from the charity line for his 21 points. The performance, along with the game against Shawnee State earlier in the week, earned Marks the Ohio Valley Conference Player of the Week award.

Lopez battled down low against the big men for nine points, five of which came from the free-throw line.

Sykes contributed with seven points and six assists.

Prince led the Wildcats with 23 points (9-of-16 from the field, and 5-of-11 from three-point range). Bogans chimed in with 20 points and six assists.

In the opening two games to the Eagle season, the sound defeated IPFW and Shawnee State. MSU went on the road for an 82-73 victory against IPFW at Allen County War Memorial Coliseum Nov. 16.

The Eagles were sent to the free-throw line 31 times, where they converted 25 times (80.6 percent) to make the difference in the scoring. Morehead shot 49.1 percent (27-of-55) compared to IPFW's 45.8 percent (27-of-59). MSU out rebounded its opponent, 35-25.

Four Eagles scored in double figures, with Minard leading the way with 20 points. Marquis Sykes notched up 18 points with eight assists. Lopez and Kyle Umbarger had 12 rebounds each, and scored 12 and 14 points, respectively.

During the IPFW game, Umbarger joined the MSU 1,000 career point club as the 29th member. Lopez currently stands at 1,019 points in 22nd place overall.

The first home game for the Eagles resulted in a 103-78 victory over Shawnee State. MSU jumped

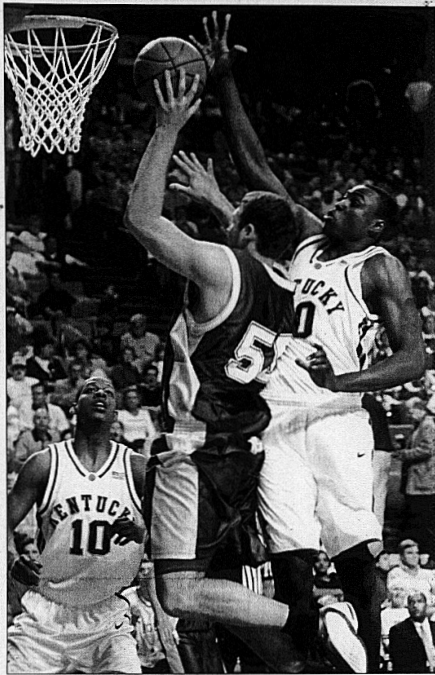


Photo by Guy Hoffman

Senior forward Kyle Umbarger is met by UK's Marquis Sykes to the basket. Umbarger, a listed 6 foot 6 inch, was dwarfed by his Wildcat opponents like the 6 foot 9 inch Sykes.

to a 18-point lead (49-31) at the half and continued to pour on the points in the second half for the 25-point victory.

Shawnee State's squad had a better second half making seven more shots than what they had done in the first half. But the Eagles were relentless and out shot them overall, 35-of-66 compared to 25-of-63.

Marks led the Eagles with 24 points and five steals, a career high effort in both categories. Lopez had a double-double with 17 points and

10 rebounds. Also scoring in double figures were Umbarger (13), Minard (13) and Lowe (11).

Morehead hosts Virginia Military tonight at the Ellis T. Johnson Arena at 7 p.m. MSU holds a 1-0 record over VMI with a 57-48 victory last year.

Marks said the team expects to do well against and win against them.

Saturday, the Eagles will travel to take on the Flyers at Dayton,

Ohio. Dayton has a 6-0 advantage, including a 71-53 defeat of the Eagles last year.

"We gave them a run for their money last year," Marks said. "Hopefully we can run the offense well, and we have an advantage in the fact they are not as quick as us."

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Volleyballers fall to EIU in semi-final match

Morehead sweeps three main conference awards for the year

BY GREG DAWKINS
SPORTS EDITOR

A straight-game loss to Eastern Illinois in the Ohio Valley Conference semi-final ended the Eagle volleyball season at Martin, Tenn., on Nov. 16. Morehead, continued its season with a 2-1 record, the most wins since 1994.

Head coach Mike Swan said, "I thought all along we really wanted to get at least 20 wins, so to get 23 was a good accomplishment. When we reflect back and look over what we accomplished this season it was good for all of us."

Seeded third for the conference championship, Morehead defeated Eastern Illinois, Morehead in four games (22-50, 31-29, 30-18, 30-23) in the first round. Eastern Illinois, second seed, had a first round bye.

The slow start has been the norm for the Eagles against EIU this season,

Swan said. After a close second game the Eagles were in control of the match.

"We were better in every position and dominated," Swan said. "I think we have been tough and we've been down two games. We were in control (29-26) and didn't play too smart to let them in the game. But we did the things we needed to do. We were on the ball two points to finish it. The last two games were not close as we were in control the whole way."

The difference then went down to eventual conference champions Eastern Illinois 30-23, 30-26, 30-18.

"The game was going to come down to who could serve, receive and run their offense the best. Little did I realize that we would struggle to actually hit all match," Swan said. "The difference of the match was that they served very aggressively and we didn't pass well."

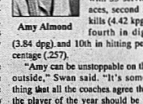
Morehead swept this main three conference award for the year. The player, freshman and coach of the year awards were all presented to

the Morehead squad at a banquet on the eve of the tournament.

"Things could not have gone any better for us. It was surprising that a second place team could have swept everything that we did," Swan said.

The league's head volleyball coaches voted junior Amy Almond as the player of the year. Almond was also named to the all-tournament team and the all-conference first-team. The outside hitter served the Eagles as an all-around versatile player that ranks among the league leaders in four different categories. She is stop the league with 55 service hits, second in kills (44.2) and fourth in digs (38.4) and 10th in hitting percentage (25.7).

"Any one can be the co-captain on the outside," Swan said. "It's something that all the coaches agree that the player of the year should be in



Amy Almond

the full rotation (play front and back court), and she did both very well."

Serter Cassie Garland was honored as the freshman of the year and received all-conference honorable mention and all-newcomer team selection. The West Chester, Ohio native became the first ever Eagle to receive the honor. Garland ranked second in the conference in assists (11.95 avg) with a total of 1,267 dishes this season. She tallied 14 double-doubles and surpassed the 60-assist mark three times.

"It's tough on the freshman to step in and be a huge role player, especially in the setter position and to run the offense," Swan said. "She showed a great composure in tight games and was able to contribute to the team's success."

"I felt Amy and Cassie were very deserving - you're just not always

sure that other coaches are going to see the value of your players and what they do for your program," Swan said.

In his third year at the helm, Swan was recognized as the OVC Coach of the Year. He is just the second Morehead coach to receive the honor. Former Eagle coach Jim McClellan earned back-to-back awards in 1987 and 1988.

Swan believes two main reasons the team was so successful this year was because of the depth and chemistry the team had.

"Some players stepped in and really picked things up on the court," Swan said. "The depth was a lot better and the team chemistry from day one in practice was much better than what it has been in the past. They had confidence in each other and supported one another well," Swan said.

Swan said in response to the recognition he received that he just does his best at surrounding himself with quality people.

"I've been real fortunate that we've been able to attract the kids we have. You have 12 players and

you let them have faith and believe in each other and let them do the work it is real important. Sometimes coaches get too much credit for what they do, because basically, it's the players who are not as quick as us."

Joining Almond as an all-OVC first team selection was Muncie, Ind. native Chelle Lampkins. The sophomore, who received recognition to the all-newcomer team last year, had 12 consecutive doubles with a total of 22 in the season. Lampkins ranked second in the nation with 4.66 digs per game and fifth in the conference with 3.71 kills per game.

A second team honoree was middle blocker Tiffany Peters. Peters from Perryburg, Ohio, led the Eagles in blocks with 1.06 per game and hitting percentage (.278).

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Lady Eagles place second in holiday tourney

Basketball team moves to 3-1; will host MSU Classic this weekend

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The women's basketball team moves to an overall record of 3-1 after a Thanksgiving trip to Vestal, N.Y. The Lady Eagles won their first round game against Long Island University before dropping the tournament final to the Binghamton Beacats.

"We are pleased with our first win, but we left knowing that we could have and should have won the tournament," head coach Laura Litter said. "Not to take anything away from Binghamton—they are a nice ball club, strong, big and had the home court advantage."

The Binghamton Times Warner Classic Championship all-tournament team consisted of Eagles Frances Montgomery and Tracee Turner.

Binghamton went on a second half scoring blitz to take the game 71-63. The Eagles led by a point (26-25) going into the half. The Beacats hit 18-of-30 field goals (.600), and 5-of-8 three-pointers (.625) compared to their first half effort of 8-of-32 (.250) field goals made.

The Eagles also increased their field goals made, going from 9-of-33 (.273) to 17-of-37 (.459), but had an overall three-point percentage of 26.7 (4-of-15).

"We didn't continue to shoot the ball real well," Litter said. "After watching film, we didn't continue to run like we had. They started dropping back quickly on us and forced us into a half court game. I think fatigue from the night before set in. We only played a few people whereas they were able to play about 15 and average out the minutes."

Litter said the key to the loss was a combination of different things that threw the kids off, from the long bus ride, being away from home for the holidays and key players made to play hard the night before.

"We're not concerned. We know that we have kids that are gamers and are going to bounce back," Litter said.

Turner led the Eagles with 20 points and six assists. The two seniors, Tasha Gales and Montgomery, contributed with double-doubles respectively, 14 points and 10 rebounds each.

In the previous night's game against Long Island, Morehead led off a second half charge for an 82-

79 victory.

Long Island turned around a 28 point first half and eight point deficit to make a run at the Eagles. LIU shot a field goal percentage of 31.4 (11-of-35) and 0-of-8 from the postmarker in the first half compared to its second half 17-of-31 field goals and 11-of-16 three-pointers.

LIU's Kim MacMillan was held to four points in the first half, but found the basket eight times from behind the three-point line in the second period for a game high 30 points.

"She led the NCAA in three-point shooting last year," Litter said. "She has an awkward shot like she is throwing it at the basket. A shot that looks like it could be easily blocked but she has a way to get the shot off, with a fast trigger and falling away. She had a tremendous second half, we were in her face and she made the shots."

Litter said LIU were a quality side, a team that won their conference last year and went to the NCAA tournament. She said they played aggressively and they worked the ball to a very good post player they have.

LIU forward Tamika Dudley scored 22 points with 10-of-13 shots going down, and 4-of-6 from the charity line.

"Our kids responded and hit critical free throws down the stretch. It goes to show you they can play well under pressure," Litter said.

Six MSU players hit double figures in scoring, led by Turner with 18 points. Montgomery totaled 15 points and six rebounds, Gales added 14 points, Kandi Brown scored 11 with four assists and six rebounds, DeVonda Williams had 11 points with six rebounds and Maria Starks had 10 points.

In the opening two games of the season, MSU ran away with victories on their home court. The first win came against Ohio Valley College on Nov. 19, and the second the following night against IPFW at the Ellis T. Johnson Arena.

Morehead fell just short of the century mark with the 97-34 win. The 63-point spread tied the largest margin of victory, which was set in 1986-87 with a 115-52 win against West Virginia State.

OV's Lady Scots, a division II team, were beaten in all areas of the game. Morehead had a far superior shooting percentage (40-of-78 compared to 13-of-56), with domination of the boards (58-32 rebounds) and 29-8 assists.

Montgomery was the top scorer with 19 points and eight rebounds.

Turner chimed in with 15 points and La'Keia Wales tallied 10 with eight rebounds. All MSU players on court put up scoring numbers, except Starks, who contributed with seven rebounds and five assists.

The second game of the season was a little tighter, but the Eagles came away with a 19-point margin victory (91-72).

The Eagles out shot IPFW, 50.8 percent (33-of-65) from the field compared to 40.7 percent (24-of-59).

Turner led the Eagles with 24 points, and picked up five assists and five steals. Montgomery contributed with a double-double (11 points and 11 rebounds). Brown hit 5-of-7 from the arc to tally up 17 points and Gales contributed with 15 points, eight boards and five blocks.

"We started out trying to get a feel for what our kids were going to be able to do. Every game keeps getting a little stronger. It's been our chance for us to gain some confidence, and build our self-esteem a little bit," Litter said. "As opposed to putting ourselves up for sale and making money. We don't believe in these games, to take a group of players and put them up for sale or use them like that. I don't think a game like Eastern Illinois versus Purdue and getting beaten by 60 points does any good. It's not good for their morale or ego, all of us should have some personal pride."

The Eagles host Elon and High Point this weekend in the MSU Classic Tournament. Eastern Kentucky will also be a part of the tourney.

"High Point will be looking for revenge from last year's loss to the Eagles," Litter said. "Elon will be hard for us to match up as they start very big."

"We will have to hit our outside shots, and we've been in a bit of a slump of late. We have to shoot our way out and gain the confidence back and get the feel of the swish again," Litter said.

Litter said the team could go 10 to 12 deep this weekend and the staff plan on using the bench a lot in this weekend's tournament.

"The staff have been critiquing themselves as well as the players and we have to have more confidence in our bench and need to see who can come off the bench and step up," Litter said.

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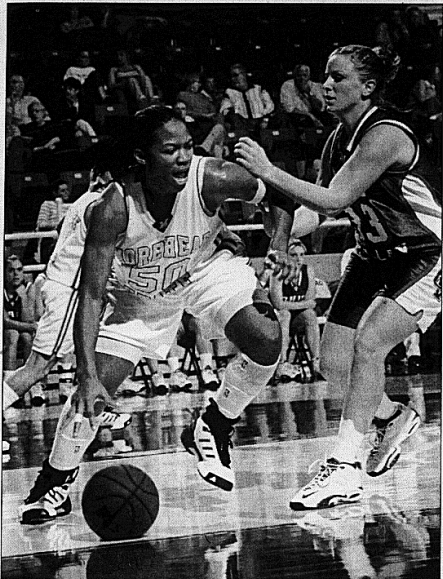


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MSU sophomore forward DeVonda Williams drives past her opponent down low in the post. Williams had five points and eight rebounds in the Nov. 19 game.



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Morehead native Abby Adams shoots over Ohio Valley College opponent in the Lady Eagles' 97-34 win Nov. 19.

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Sports Notes

Eastern Illinois take volleyball crown to NCAA's

The championship match of the 2001 OVC Volleyball Tournament lived up to its billing as top seeds Tennessee-Martin and Eastern Illinois staged a thrilling five-game slugfest Nov. 17 that ended with EIU capturing its first OVC Tournament title.

The two teams alternated games as top seed and host Tennessee-Martin took games one (31-20) and three (30-22), while second-seeded Eastern Illinois claimed games two (30-26) and four (34-32) before coming back from an 8-5 deficit to win the fifth and deciding game (15-13).

Eastern Illinois has drawn fourth-ranked and number five seed Arizona as its first-round opponent for the 2001 NCAA Tournament, which gets underway later this week.

EIU (21-8) will be making its first NCAA Tournament appearance earning the league's automatic bid. Hosting the Panthers' portion of the bracket will be the University of Illinois in Champaign, Ill., and action is set to begin Friday evening, with the times yet to be announced. EIU and Arizona (21-4) will square off in the first match, while host Illinois will take on Missouri in the nighttime. The winners of those two contests will play on Thursday, Dec. 1.

Arizona record finished 21-4 overall for the regular season.

Eastern Illinois finished its season 21-8 overall. The Panthers are led by outside hitter Erica Gerth,

who leads the team with 3.27 kills per game, and middle hitter Leslie Przekwas, who averages 3.20 kpg and is hitting .335 for the season.

Flyers win inaugural PFL title

The University of Dayton football team defeated the Jacksonville Dolphins 46-14 Saturday afternoon in the inaugural Pioneer Football League Championship game at Wakestone Stadium in Dayton, OH. The Flyers finish the season at 10-1. The Dolphins' record goes to 6-5. This marks the seventh time in nine years that the Flyers have won or shared the PFL championship.

The Flyers scored on their opening possession. KU Kelly Spiker (Dayton, OH) capped off an 11-play, 70-yard drive with a two-yard touchdown run, giving the Flyers a 7-0 lead. On Dayton's second drive, Spiker connected with WR Ryan Jones (Newark, OH) for a 45-yard pass play to the Dolphins 17-yard line. Spiker finished the drive with a 10-yard touchdown run, for a 13-0 Dayton lead. RB Tony Hurps (Newark, OH) put the Flyers up 19-0 with a four yard TD plunge, his 15th touchdown of the season.

The Flyer defense came up big when Marcus Colvin intercepted a Scott Brickley pass in the second quarter. Dayton capitalized when Spiker hit WR Ben Winters (Indianapolis, IN) 55 yards for a touchdown, giving UDA a 26-0 lead.

"We had a great first half," Coach Mike Kelly said. "Kelly [Spiker] played extremely well."

Spiker finished the game, three of four passing for 113 yards; and ran 9 times for 89 yards. He accounted for three touchdowns,

one passing, and two running. The Dolphins scored their touchdowns on pass plays. Cooper connected with WR Jon Turner for a 49-yard touchdown with 1:59 left in first half, and then from nine yards with 9:16 left in the fourth quarter. Turner finished with 6 catches for 111 yards and two scores, but Jacksonville played from behind all day.

The Dolphins came into the game ranked second in the conference in rushing, averaging 191.5 yards per game. In the first half, the Flyer defense held Jacksonville to nine yards rushing, and allowed just 53 yards on the ground for the game. RB Brent Alexander led the conference in rushing, averaging 104 yards per game, but was held to just 49 yards rushing for the day.

Dayton intercepted three passes to bring their season total to 31. FS Mark Kanner (Breckville, OH) intercepted his ninth pass of the season in the fourth quarter, and DB Tom Linley (Dublin, OH) picked one off in the end zone as time expired.

2001 Pioneer Football League All-Conference Selections



Bart Burke
Senior
Offensive
lineman
First Team
selection



Zac Prewitt
Junior
Linebacker
First Team
Selection



Toby Moeves
Senior
Return
Specialist
First Team
selection;
Wide Receiver
Honorable
mention



Brian Davis
Senior
Defensive
back
Honorable
Mention and
Verizon
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Football Team



Dennis Ledford
Senior
Defensive
lineman
First Team
selection



Brandon Phillips
Junior
Defensive back
First Team
selection



Chris Parker
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Defensive
lineman
Honorable
Mention
selection

Editor's Note: Junior punter Bill Ballard was an Honorable Mention selection. There was not a picture available.

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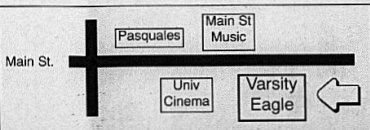
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